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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re the Application of: HARTL, Helmut et al.

Group Art Unit: 1711

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For: 4-METHYLENE-1, 3-DIOXOLANES AS CROSS-LINKING AGENTS

RESPONSE UNDER 37 CFR §1.116 - EXPEDITED RESPONSE GROUP ART UNIT 1711

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Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

August 16, 2004

Sir:

In response to the Office Action dated May 19, 2004, please amend the above-identified application as follows:

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks/Arguments begin on page 16 of this paper.